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Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3096–3101, S.J. Res. 39, and S. Res. 588.

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Measures Passed:

Honoring Dr. Feng Shan Ho: Senate agreed to S. Res. 588, honoring Dr. Feng Shan Ho, a man of great courage and humanity, who saved the lives of thousands of Austrian Jews between 1938 and 1940.

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Measures Considered:

CLIMATE SECURITY ACT: Senate resumed consideration of S. 3036, to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program to decrease emissions of greenhouse gases, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 4826 (to Amendment No. 4825), to express the sense of the Senate that the United States should address global climate change through the negotiation of fair and effective international commitments.

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Reid Amendment No. 4827 (to Amendment No. 4826), to express the sense of the Senate that the United States should address global climate change through the negotiation of fair and effective international commitments.

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Reid Amendment No. 4828 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Reid (for Boxer Amendment No. 4825), to provide for the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 4829 (to Amendment No. 4828), to change the enactment date. Page \$5333

Reid Motion to Commit the bill to the Committee on the Committee on Environment and Public Works with instructions to report back forthwith, with Reid Amendment No. 4830, to provide for the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 4831 (the instructions of the Reid motion to commit), to change the enactment date.

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Reid Amendment No. 4832 (to Amendment No. 4831), to change the enactment date. Page \$5333

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 48 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 145), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the Reid (for Boxer) Amendment No. 4825, in the nature of a substitute.

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CONSUMER-FIRST ENERGY ACT: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3044, to provide energy price relief and hold oil companies and other entities accountable for their actions with regard to high energy prices.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed was with-drawn.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 3:15 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2008, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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ENERGY AND TAX EXTENDERS ACT: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 6049, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for energy production and conservation, to extend certain expiring provisions, to provide individual income tax relief.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, June 10, 2008.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn. Page \$5376

Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent

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agreement was reached providing that a bill relating to Medicare Improvement for Patients and Providers of 2008, introduced by Senators Baucus, Snowe and others, be considered to have been read the first time and objection to further proceedings considered to have been made on Friday, June 6, 2008, and the bill receive its second reading on the next legislative day; provided further, that this request is only valid until 5 p.m. on Friday, June 6, 2008. Page \$5376

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—145)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:08 p.m., until 3:15 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2008. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5376.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ARMS CONTROL

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine the organizational structures of the Department of responsible State for arms control, counterproliferation, and nonproliferation, focusing on the processes they have in place for optimizing national efforts, after receiving testimony from Patricia A. McNerney, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for International Security and Nonproliferation, and Linda S. Taglialatela, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Human Resources, both of the Department of State.

House of Representatives

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The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Monday, June 9, 2008.

Committee Meetings

MAKING GSA LEASE AND CONSTRUCTION PROCESS EFFICIENT

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing on Making GSA Lease and Construction Process Efficient, Transparent, and User-friendly. Testimony was heard from David Winstead, Commissioner, Public Building Service, GSA; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT—UNEMPLOYMENT SITUATION

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the employment-unemployment situation for May 2008, after receiving testimony from Philip L. Rones, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor; Heidi Hartmann, Institute for Women's Policy Research, and Diana Furchtgott-Roth, Hudson Institute, both of Washington D.C.; and Eileen Appelbaum, Rutgers University Center for Women and Work, New Brunswick, New Jersey.